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TITLE OF INVENTION: NOVEL ANTI-VIRAL VSF PROTEIN AND HYBRIDOMA PRODUCING THE SAME

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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DETAILED ACTION

Applicants are informed that the rejections of the previous Office action not stated below have been withdrawn from consideration in view of the Applicant's arguments and/or amendments.

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on May 13, 2008 has been entered.

Claims 1-14 are examined on the merits.

Election/Restrictions

Claims 1-3, 8-10, 13 and 14 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claims 4-7 and 9-12, directed to the process of making or using an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on October 16, 2006 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes

all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Response to Amendment

The declaration under 37 CFR 1.132 filed December 9, 2008 is sufficient to overcome the rejection of claim 14 based upon insufficiency of disclosure under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Since applicants have provided documentation showing the deposit of the 4D1B hybridoma under accession number KCLRF-BP-00052 and the ensuring that this cell line will be kept viable and available to the public upon granting of any patent to such an invention, the 35 U.S.C. 112 1st paragraph Enablement rejection has been overcome.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art fails to teach a virus suppressing factor (VSF) with following characteristics:

- (a) it is increasingly produced in an immune cell stimulated by EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus;
- (b) it has an antiviral activity which is unchanged by immunoprecipitation and immunoneutralization;
 - (c) it is inactivated by proteinase K;
- (d) it is not one of the group of antiviral cytokines consisting of IL-1, IL-2, IL-3, IL-4, IL-5, IL-6, IL-7, IL-8, IL-9, IL-10, IL-11, IL-12, IL-13, IL-14, IL-15, IL-16, IL-17,

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IL-18, G-CSF, GM-CSF, TNF-α, TNF-β, IFN-α, IFN-β, IFN-γ, TGF-β, RANTES, MIP-lα, MIP-lβ, MIP-lγ, MCP-1, MCP-3, IP-10 and lymphotactin;

- (e) it comprises about 55 kDa polypeptide (H) having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, about 30 kDa polypeptides (L1 and L2) and about 25 kDa polypeptide (L3) having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4;
 - (f) it has a molecular weight of over about 100 kDa; and
 - (g) it is stable at 56°C for about 40 minutes.

The prior art also fails to teach the hybridoma that produces VSF, particularly the hybridoma 4D1B (accession number KCLRF-BP-00052).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Sheree Lynn Rybak on December 11, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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In claim 1, at lines 3 and 4, "a variant of encephalomyocarditis virus, EMC-DV" has been deleted and --EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus-- inserted therefor.

In claim 4, at lines 2 and 3, "a variant of encephalomyocarditis virus, EMC-DV" has been deleted and --EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus-- inserted therefor. In claim 5, at lines 3 and 4, "a variant of encephalomyocarditis virus, EMC-DV" has been deleted and --EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus-- inserted therefor.

In claim 6, at lines 3 and 4, "a variant of encephalomyocarditis virus, EMC-DV" has been deleted and --EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus-- inserted therefor.

In claim 8, at line 3, "a variant of encephalomyocarditis virus, EMC-DV" has been deleted and --EMC-DV, encephalomyocarditis virus-- inserted therefor.

In claim 11, at line 1, "vial" has been deleted and --viral-- inserted therefor.

Please replace the original paragraph on pages 15, lines 1-10 of the specification with the following paragraph:

For example, fusion of immune cells with tumor cells may be achieved by the conventionally known method, which is exemplified by the Koehler & Milstein's method (Koehler et al., Nature 256, 495-497, 1975) that is generally used, and electrofusion using electric pulse. Lymphocytes and a myeloma cell line are mixed at a ratio commonly used in the art, subjected to cell fusion using a FCS-free culture medium containing polyethyleneglycol, which is generally used in the art, and cultured in FCS-containing HAT selection medium to select fused cells (hybridoma cells). In connection with this, the present invention provides a hybridoma producing a VSF protein. The hybridoma of the present invention was deposited with an international depository authority, KCLRF (Korean Cell Line Research Foundation, Cancer Research Institute, Seoul National University College of Medicine, 28 Yongon-dong, Chongno-gu, Seoul 110-744) on Dec.

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21, 2001 under the provisions of the Budapest Treaty and has been assigned accession umber KCLRF-BP-00052.

Summary

Claims 1-3, 10, 11, 13 and 14 are allowed.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to BENJAMIN P. BLUMEL whose telephone number is (571)272-4960. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Bruce Campell can be reached on 571-272-1600. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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